

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: **Stephen Fife Sheldon** § Group Art Unit: **2168**
 Serial No.: **10/800,493** § Confirmation Number: **9307**
 Filing Date: **March 15, 2004** § Examiner: **Sanders, Aaron J.**
 Title: **Simple Expression Optimization in a SQL Query** § Attorney Docket No.: **11466**

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
(37 C.F.R. 1.114)

Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above-identified application.

This request is being submitted before (i) the abandonment of this application; (ii) payment of the issue fee; (iii) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit; or (iv) the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or 35 U.S.C. § 146.

Applicants enclose an amendment in response to the Decision on Appeal mailed August 23, 2011 and in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 28, 2008.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees required with this filing to
Deposit Account No. 50-4370.

Respectfully submitted,

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